

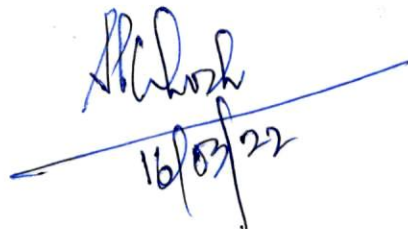
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Minutes of the 90th Emergent Executive Council meeting held on 16-03-2022 at 3.30 pm on virtual platform with a single agenda to approve and award the Fellowships, Assistantships and Internships at MAKAIAS for the year 2021-22.

Members present virtually in the 90th Emergent Executive Council meeting held on 16-03-2022 at 3.30 pm:

1. **Professor Sujit K. Ghosh**
Hon'ble Chairman
Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata
2. **Professor K.C. Baral**
Vice Chairman of the Executive Council,
Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata, &
Professor of Indian Studies &
Former Pro-Vice Chancellor
English & Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
3. **Professor I.S. Chauhan**
Former Vice Chancellor &
Ambassador to Fiji
Gurugram
Haryana
4. **Dr. K.S. Chakraborty**
Former Regional Director
Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU)
College Tilla
Agartala, Tripura
5. **Professor Smritikumar Sarkar**
Former Vice-Chancellor
Burdwan University
Belghoria, Kolkata
6. **Professor Om Prakash Mishra**
Department of International Relations
Jadavpur University
Kolkata
7. **Dr. Sreeradha Datta**
Centre Head, Neighbourhood Studies and Senior Fellow
Vivekananda International Foundation
Chanakyapuri, New Delhi
8. **Dr. Sarup Prasad Ghosh**
Director-Member Secretary
MAKAIAS, Kolkata


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Mr. Dalpat Singh Koli who was the representative of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, New Delhi could not attend the meeting because of his extremely busy schedule (conveyed over phone). Mr. Koli advised to send the Minutes to the Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India. From his office, Mr B. Gulati also informed that minutes have to be sent both to the Secretary of Government of India, Ministry of Culture and Financial Advisor Ministry of Culture, Government of India (over phone). The absence of the Ministry's nominee was noted.

Note: Mr. Dalpat Singh Koli was Ministry's representative along with Mr Manoj Dehury in the Selection Committee.

The Chairman greeted all the members of the Executive Council and the Director started the proceedings with the permission of the Chairman.

Agenda: 90.01: To discuss and approve the different categories of Research Fellows/ Research Assistants/ Internships before 31st March 2022, as per the recommendation of the Selection Committee.

Resolution taken: i) The Director informed the members the composition of the Selection Committee and shared the necessary details including advertisement, number of fellowships, award of fellowships following reservation policy of GoI and other details for the information of the Members.

(Annexure – I)

ii) The Director opened the sealed envelope of Azad Fellows recommended by the Selection Committee and read out the names of the selected candidates. The same was placed before the EC for approval and was approved.

(Annexure – II)

iii) The Director opened the sealed envelope of MAKAIAS Senior Fellows. The recommendation of the Selection Committee was placed before the EC for approval and was approved.

(Annexure – III)

iv) The Director opened the sealed envelope of MAKAIAS Fellows recommended by the Selection Committee and read out the names of the selected candidates. The same was placed before the EC for approval and was approved.

(Annexure – IV)

v) The Director opened the sealed envelope of Research Assistants recommended by the Selection Committee and read out the names of the selected candidates. The same was placed before the EC for approval and was approved.

(Annexure – V)

vi) The Director opened the sealed envelope for Internship recommended by the Selection Committee and read out the names of the selected candidates. The same was placed before the EC for approval and was approved.

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(Annexure – VI)

Notes of Dissent:

- i. Prof. Omprakash Mishra, nominated Member of the Govt of West Bengal to the EC dictated his note of dissent and the same was noted as follows:
“I am not a party to the endorsement of the recommendations of the Selection Committee, because I am not been invited or involved during the formation of the said Selection Committee. I think the representatives of the State Government were not given their due regard in both letter and spirit. Therefore, the Selection Committee recommendation is unacceptable to me.”
- ii. Dr. Sreeradha Dutta, nominated Member of the Govt of West Bengal to the EC honoured the spirit of the Executive Council and the wisdom of the Selection Committee in recommending the fellowships but she could not endorse the recommendations of the Selection Committee for she was not properly informed and not involved in the selection process. So, she pointed out that her note of dissent should be noted. It was noted.
- iii. Other members present were satisfied with the selection process and endorsed the same on individual basis after being asked by the Chairman to express their views.

Their individual views are noted as follows:

Prof. K. C. Baral accepted and approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee and was of the view that MAKAIAS had followed all steps according to MOA & Bye-laws at the time of formation of the Selection Committee and the selection process. He also pointed out that the representatives of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India Sri Dalpat Singh Koli & Shri Manoj Dehury were part and parcel of the entire selection process.

Prof. I.S. Chauhan accepted and approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee and pointed out that it's not mandatory to involve each and all members of the Executive Council to be part of the Selection Committee as per MOA & Bye-laws. Therefore, he found that Selection Committee was duly formed and the selection process went on as per MOA & Bye-laws.

Prof. Smiriti Kumar Sarkar accepted and approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee and stated that the Executive Council shares collective responsibility and individual opinions should not over shadow the collective opinion of the Executive Council.

Prof. Kiran Shankar Chakraborty accepted and approved the recommendations of the selection committee and expressed that the process of selection of Research Fellows and Research Assistants had been done as per the letter and spirit of MOA & Bye-laws.

The Director pointed out the sequence of induction of new members of State Government in place of old members and also it was stated that in every Executive Council meeting the then State Government nominees were invited.

(Annexure – VII)

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The Chairman after hearing the viewpoints of each Member and on the basis of their approval of the recommendations of the Selection Committee directed the Director to proceed with the process of appointment of different categories of Research Fellows/ Research Assistants/Interns before 31.03.2022 as per recommendations of the Selection Committee.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

